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DEATHS.

At Forest Lodge, Caine Road, on the 9th February, 1901, PAUL JORDAN, aged 49 years. Deeply regretted. (480)
On the 10th February, 1901, at No. 5, Nanking Road, FRANCIS CLAUDE HAMILTON DENSFORD, aged 16 months.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DES VEAUX ROAD CL
LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, 11th February, 1901

It is difficult in the absence of definite information to form more than the most superficial judgment as to what is really the tendency of events in Northern China. There has always, even in the earliest days of our intercourse, existed in the empire a saving remnant of men who were anxious to do the best for their country, and who perceived the necessity of following in the path of free intercourse in the interests of China rather than of foreign states. Such a man was apparently ELIOT, one of the two Manchurian Commissioners appointed by the Emperor TAI KWANG to negotiate the Treaty of Nanking; and such in the recent troubles has been the old Viceroy of Nanking LIU KUNO-YI. Unfortunately such men have never been acceptable to either party, and in every case the individuals who have floated to the top have been those who were ready to make the wildest promises, and accept the most compromising conditions with the assured intention of repudiating the entire as soon as the opportunity arrived. It was thus that in our early intercourse Sir JOHN DAVIS, our Chief Superintendent of Trade, was imposed on by KYING, a fact the true significance of which was shown afterwards in KYING's own Memorial to the Emperor, where he boasted of the game he had succeeded in playing on the "barbarian." It was thus that LI HUNG-CHANG played with the late Sir THOMAS WADE at Chefoo, when he persuaded the English Minister into sending his celebrated telegram, "War is averted," as it proved to be, by the surrender of every point the Minister had been directed to settle. And it is thus, by the same man and by the same methods, the present dealings of the Powers with China in her infancy are being drawn out, in the hope that in the chapter of accidents a page may be yet turned over which will afford a safe retreat for all the chief actors in the outrage.

In spite of the ever recurring blunder, it is the best sign of the present crisis that amongst the nation at large men are beginning to recognise the fact that in the first place it has become necessary for the continued existence of China that she should gain the goodwill of the chief Powers; and in the second that she can only do this by conforming to those broad general principles of mutual respect under which European states have had leisure to grow to greatness. The policy of seeking to divide her assiduous friends, which was the limit of Chinese statesmanship hitherto, has, as none know better than its chief exponent LI, broken down, but only after reducing the Empire to the verge of extinction. The Emperor himself, and the small band of statesmen whom he had gathered around him, had clearly perceived this fact, but with the strange balucination which has been the guiding spirit of the foreign Powers in their intercourse with China, it was always to the other type of ministers that they preferred to turn. The ignoble lesson learnt by Captain ELIOT in 1889 has been repeated by each Minister in turn; each has refused to take example by the humiliation of his predecessor, only to learn that in his turn had committed the same cardinal error of bargaining away substantive gains for airy and delusive promises. In the present negotiations for the return of the Court to Peking, there is an attempt at going over this old comedy; and though up to this England and Germany, as the Powers principally interested, have fairly succeeded in keeping clear of the old entanglements, there is already, we fear, some danger of a return to old conditions. A very evident attempt is being made, for instance, to barter off the return, as if it were something in the interest of the Powers for which a valuable payment might be expected; and though we do not at all suggest that the representatives of the Powers have taken so very evident a bait, no effort is being spared to find out the particular weakness of each in turn. On the other hand, with our eyes open our representatives are permitting themselves to be drawn into interminable discussions on subjects irrelevant to the main issue. The evacuation of Peking is a case in point, and the Chinese commissioners are seeking to barter off the evacuation as a condition of return. On the other hand, every statesman in China, including amongst others the Yangtze Viceroy, is well aware that unless the seat of government is brought back to some central point, and that quickly, the little authority that remains in the Empire will from the very nature of the case disappear. We are, in fact, in listening to these suggestions from the agents of an effete Court, really only hastening on the catastrophe, which they profess to dread, but are in reality intriguing for. In the eyes of the Empress Dowager, the restoration of China is a matter of perfect indifference, except as a means of her own return to the power of mischief, and the continued exclusion of the Emperor; and in order to gain this she is ready to make any sacrifice at the moment. It is not the first time in the history of foreign intercourse with China that the same game has been played. In January, 1849, there was no difficulty in concluding a truce with the Commissioner at Canton. Hongkong was to be ceded, an indemnity of \$6,000,000 was to be paid; for the future there was to be direct official intercourse on terms of equality, and trade was to be resumed in ten days. The British Superintendent Captain ELIOT, after praising the scrupulous good faith of the Chinese Commissioner, handed him back the substantial guarantee which he held in the possession of the Chuenpi Forts, commanding the city of Canton. The Chinese Commissioner had gained all he wanted, the Emperor was reported to have disapproved the cession, and the weary course had again to be gone over at the cost of a war. So much for our first attempt to negotiate when holding the trump card. Why try it again?

An earth-quake was making excavations Kennedy Road way on Friday, when the bank collapsed and buried him. He was dead before help arrived. The body was conveyed to the mortuary.

The weekly prayer-meeting in connection with the Hongkong Christian Union will be held in the Music Room at the City Hall on Monday afternoon at 5.15. Mr. W. J. Ansley will preside.

The body of a Chinaman, apparently about 40 years of age, was found hanging by the neck in a drain in course of construction opposite the building now being erected at Des Vaux Road Central. He is supposed to have committed suicide.

A smart-looking, well-dressed young man, who had been passing himself off as a doctor with the American fleet here, was arrested on Saturday night on board the steamer *Loonyang*, which left the Harbour yesterday for Manila, on charges of fraud within the jurisdiction of the Emperor of China. He will be brought before the magistrato to-day.

During the absence from the Colony of Mr. J. M. Zaniga, Spanish and Peruvian Acting Consul, Mr. Jesus Gonzalez is recognised as in charge of the Consulates.

We beg to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of a cheque for \$50 from "A.B." for the fund to assist the family of the murdered schoolmaster, Yeung Ku Wan.

On Saturday the German battleship *Brandenburg* left for Tsingtau, while German torpedo boat #1 arrived from Canton. Yesterday the Portuguese cruiser *Zaire* came over from Macao.

Mr. Erich Georg informs us that he is in receipt of a telegram from Singapore, stating that at the meeting on the 9th instant it was decided to increase the capital of *Jebeus*, as stated in the advertisement which has already appeared.

The report of the Widows' and Orphans' Pension Fund for 1900 is published in the *Gazette*. The amount to the credit of the Fund on the 31st December was \$88,793.24. The number of contributors on the books was 318, an increase of 72 since the 31st December, 1899. During the year 111 officers joined the Fund, 36 left, and four died. There are 271 children on the books. The pensioners number 7,450, giving the aggregate pensions of \$1,341.94 per annum.

Much activity is being exhibited in local boxing circles just now, and as will be seen from the challenges appearing in another column there is a prospect of some good sport being witnessed soon. The two men from the U.S. *Albany* who came off so successfully on Thursday last, J. H. Pickett and J. J. Howe, are ready to meet any one for 10, 12, or 20 rounds, the former for the 130 lbs. championship and the latter for the light-weight championship (limit 144 lbs.). If these challenges are accepted, the contests will come off during the tournament promoted by Mr. C. T. Robinson on the 28th inst. and 1st and 2nd prox.

To-night there will be a change of programme at Harrold's Circus, including the military spectacle *Fra Diavolo*, introducing the entire company and stud of horses and the great combat scene, culminating in the Brigand's Death. On Tuesday evening the international tag of war commences and judging from the entries at present to hand there should be some excitement, as the rivalry among our empire's defenders in friendly contests is equal to that which calls them forth in any emergency. The management deserve praise in coming forward so liberally in affording amusement to the men of our army and navy. The contestants' names will be found in our advertisement column to-day.

Another well-known figure in the colony has been called away by death. Mr. Paul Jordan breathing his last on Saturday morning at Forest Lodge, Caine Road, the residence of his brother Dr. G. P. Jordan. Latterly Mr. Jordan had not been in the best of health, but his end was not thought to be so near, until a short time before his death, when he became unconscious and remained so until the end. The deceased gentleman was 49 years of age and leaves a widow and a large family, who are at present in England. At one time Mr. Jordan was employed in the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, leaving some years ago to start business for himself as a share and general broker. Being a lover of sports, he was a familiar figure at the Jockey Club Race Meetings, entering ponies for many years. The funeral took place on Saturday, when many Freemasons, Mr. Jordan being a prominent member of the fraternity, attended.

In good time, and rather earlier than in some previous years, the Chronicle and Directory for China, Japan, the Straits Settlements, Indo-China, the Philippines, &c., has made its appearance. The Volume for 1901 is a trifle bulkier than its predecessors notwithstanding the efforts made to keep it within manageable limits by compressing the information and rearranging certain portions of the contents, such as the grouping of the missionaries in China together and those in Japan together, and omitting them from the alphabetical index of foreign residents. This will be found a much more convenient mode, and, as they are in alphabetical order, easier for reference. The missionaries in Japan follow next after the Nagasaki directory, and those in China follow the Szeanao directory and precede that for Hongkong. In the description of China is incorporated an interesting sketch of the events which led to the anti-foreign outbreaks and the hostilities of last year; in the Peking description is embodied a graphic account of the events preceding the siege of the Legations and of their defence by the foreigners from June to the relief on the 13th August; and in the account of Tientsin is included a narrative of the hostilities there and investment of the foreign settlements by the Boxers. These particulars have all been supplied from the north, and are valuable both as being interesting reading and as forming an historically accurate record. The other numerous descriptions have all been brought up to date, and the directions carefully revised. Those in the northern parts of China may possibly be somewhat incomplete owing to the changes going on and the difficulty in some cases of obtaining accurate returns in time for the work to go to press. The usual maps and plans will be found in the larger edition brought up to date. The work has, we notice, been much more largely availed of by advertisers, who are evidently discovering what a *valde necesse* the Directory is to every business house in Eastern Asia. The book still retains the red cover which has become such a familiar object in the East, and in its general get up and letterpress fully maintains its reputation.

Mr. John Lambert has been authorised to be a surveyor of boilers of unlicensed steamships under 60 tons burden during the absence of Mr. E. J. Main.

The provisional appointment of Mr. Cheung Te'oi as Deputy Registrar, to undertake such duties as cannot conveniently be performed by the Registrar of Land Court while stationed at Tai-po, is notified in the *Gazette*.

As we suggested was probable, rumours about Li Hung-chang's death have been very widespread up north. On the 31st ult. the Tokyo correspondent of the *Nagasaki Press* wired: A Tientsin telegram received here states that Li Hung-chang died at Tientsin at 9 a.m. on the 30th January.

A fire broke out in a dwelling house at Sai-kong on Thursday last. The police and villagers extinguished the flames before serious damage was done. By a fire at Tai-po village on Wednesday, damage to property to the extent of about \$300 was done. In neither case was the loss covered by insurance.

L'Empire du Milieu, the new French paper in Shanghai started by the former staff of *L'Echo de Chine*, says that the Emperor has disapproved of the Russo-Chinese Manchurian Convention, and has ordered Prince Ching and Li Hung-chang to approach the Russian Minister with the object of having the Convention annulled.

The demand for Japanese coal is increasing in the Philippines. During the last three months of 1900, the coal bought by the U.S. Government at Manila amounted to 7,617 tons, the value being \$87,840. The United States Government, moreover, bought 16,098 tons of coal at Nagasaki, Yokohama and Hongkong during 1900, the value of which was \$149,238.

At an extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders in the Shanghai Eis-Aktion Gesellschaft, now in liquidation, a final dividend of one tael per share was adopted, and the directors and the liquidator were released from their liabilities. It was also agreed that any amount paid in regard to outstanding debts be handed over to the fund in aid of the sick and wounded in China.

Quite a panic has taken place among those associated with insurance business in Japan. A searching examination into the affairs of more than one company in Tokyo by the Agricultural and Commercial Department has revealed certain facts which have caused the Government to call upon them to close their business pending an official enquiry into insurance management in general.

With regard to the ceremony in honour of the late Queen, a correspondent writes to the *N.C. Daily News* from Nanking that on the 2nd inst. at the invitation of the British Consul and the Captain of H.M.S. *Hermione*, some of the officers from the French, German, and Japanese gunboats in port, and the missionary and Customs community, attended the memorial service on board the *Hermione*. Apart from the scripture reading by the Captain, the Chaplain conducted the whole of the service.

According to a Japanese telegram despatched from Seoul, the Russian Minister there has communicated with the King and His Majesty's Ministers of State, that the proposed extension of the Korean Army must be abandoned owing to considerations of the country's finance. It is further stated—it is curious that it should be thought necessary to state this—that the communication of the Russian Minister was in the form of advice, and not of a protest against the army extension. H. E. Gonake Hayashi, Japanese Minister to Korea, has proceeded to Chemulpo, where he will resume his official duties.

There is a rumour current to the effect, says the *Japan Herald*, that the Bank of Japan and the Yokohama Specie Bank will be amalgamated. It will be remembered the Bank of Japan was originally established for the purpose of controlling the domestic money market, while the Specie Bank was created principally in the interest of foreign trade. The foreign monetary transactions of the Bank of Japan were, therefore, solely conducted by the Specie Bank, and the two banks were so closely related that the Specie Bank looked like a branch of the Bank of Japan. It is supposed that in the event of the amalgamation being effected, the Bank of Japan will be in a position to carry on business with foreign countries with greater facilities. The scheme of amalgamation appears to be favourably considered by the officials of the two banks.

A letter has been placed at the disposal of our Shanghai morning contemporary, written from Canton by one of the victims of the recent attack on a house-boat. After describing the affair, he says—"I am glad to say I only got a slight wound on the head and a black eye; beyond these and being a little shaken, I am perfectly O.K., which is regular good joss. It was very funny hearing the bullets flying about, and pretty hot while it lasted, and might have been much worse, but all's well that ends well, and I am now thinking of qualifying for a soldier, for I shall never be so near fire again. Of course it has caused a great scare here, and vengeance is being taken, especially by the Germans, as the boat was owned by that nationality. Mr. B. C. G. Scott is working on my behalf and seems to take a great interest in the case." We note that the *N.C. Daily News* quotes the letter signed "Observer," which appeared in these columns about Mr. Scott's attitude toward piracy on the West River.

The American Board Mission Church has been licensed for the celebration of marriages.

A decree by the King of Siam, prohibiting the exportation of arms to China and Hongkong, and a Regulation by H. B. M. Charge d'Affaires at Bangkok, are published in the *Gazette*.

The Budget Committee has, it is reported, passed the Japanese Government's proposal for increasing the taxes on saké, sugar, beer, tobacco, alcohol and petroleum. The proposal was opposed by a section of the Committee, but was finally approved.

A telegram from Tientsin, dated the 21st ult., states that the Russians are making rapid progress with the Manchurian railway. Coolies engaged on the line are said to number more than 50,000, 20,000 of whom are busy working night and day on the portion of the line between Ningsuta and Kaijing.

An American telegram of the 7th ult. says that the indemnity to be paid by the Colombian Government to the Pacific Steam Navigation Company for the seizure and use of the British steamer *Tahoga* for conveying troops has been settled at £6,000. The steamer has been returned in good condition.

It is stated by the *Japan Herald* that the Nippon Yusen Kaisha has decided to lower the rate of freight to Europe, in respect of raw silk and silk goods, by a reduction of 30 per cent, and the amended tariff would be adopted with the departure of the steamer *Kanagawa Maru*, which was announced to leave Yokohama on the 26th ult.

Nagasaki has inaugurated a novelty in the conduct of newspapers. The supply of reporters is inadequate to the requirements of a local vernacular paper, the proprietors of which have caused to be erected three wooden receptacles in different parts of the town for the convenience of those desirous of contributing to the paper. We should imagine that Nagasaki humourists will now have a great time.

The Court of Appeal at San Francisco has confirmed the judgment of the Marine Court, suspending for 12 months the certificate of Captain Woodside of the ill-fated *May Flint*, which was sunk in the Bay last year after being in collision with the battleship *Iowa*. The progress of the wrecking operations indicate that soon the vessel will be raised by Captain Roth, of Oakland, who purchased her at an auction sale some time ago.

There appears in the *N.C. Daily News* of the 5th inst. an interesting paper on the poisonous snakes of China by Capt. Wall, I.M.S. Apart from sea snakes he makes a list of seven poisonous varieties. Six of these are to be seen in the Hongkong Museum, and five varieties at least were obtained locally. Capt. Wall says of one, *Trimeresurus granulosus*, the green pit viper, or bamboo snake—"This is very common in and about Hongkong. There are many specimens in the museum there, I myself prepared four specimens during my four months' stay there; three from the island itself and one from Stonecutter's Island."

The China Mutual Steam Navigation Company has been successful in the action they brought against the owners of the s.s. *Knaresboro* in the Admiralty Court, to recover damages alleged to have been sustained through a collision which occurred between that steamer and the s.s. *Moyune* in the Suez Canal at the North End of the Great Bitter Lake, under circumstances which have already appeared in these columns. Mr. Justice Gorrell Barnes in giving judgment said he thought the *Knaresboro* must be held alone to blame. Having regard to the circumstances of the case, the Trinity Masters were of the same opinion, with which he (the learned Judge) concurred, that it was the duty of each ship to port her helm so as to pass the other port to port. This the *Moyune* had done, but the *Knaresboro* had not. The *Knaresboro* also wrongly starboarded, attempted to cross ahead of the *Moyune*, and failed to stop and reverse her engines. On all these grounds she was in fault. His Lordship said that no blame could, in his opinion, be successfully imputed to the *Moyune*, and there must be judgment for the plaintiffs.

A copy of the "Reform Decree" arrived in Shanghai last week. The *N.C. Daily News* says that it is a private message to the Viceroy and Governors of the Empire and not a general decree to officials and people of the country. The decree commences with the Emperor's attempts at Reform in 1898, most of which were good for the country. Unfortunately there were traitors and backbiters at Court who disturbed the friendship between the Empress Dowager and the Emperor, prevented unanimity, and made their Majesties bitter enemies. These intrigues have now come to light and their Majesties are now determined to act with unanimity and mutual friendliness for the best welfare and interests of the empire. Amongst the reforms needed by the country first and foremost is the speedy construction of the Yangtze Valley Railway, and railways connecting Shanghai, Foochow, and Nanking. Another reform is to change the present methods of literary examinations.

The decree closes with: "Our Viceroy and Governors of the Empire must not think the above are empty words; they must know that we are determined to carry our reforms through without fail, and they are further commanded to send recommendations of reforms as well as to faithfully state what they think of our own suggestions."

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.]

THE CRISIS IN CHINA.

SHANGHAI, 10th February, 6.48 p.m.

AN OLD OFFENDER-PARDONED.

Chang Pei-lun, who was cashiered for cowardice at Foochow in 1885, has been called to Hianfu by the Empress Dowager, and his rank has been restored to him.

REPORTED NEW MINISTER TO LONDON.

A Soochow despatch reports that Nish Chi-kuei has been ordered to succeed H.E. Lo Feng-hu as Chinese representative in London.

THE NON-EXISTENT RAILWAYS—SHENG CENSURED.

The Empress Dowager censures Sheng Tzjen because there are no railways to convey the Southern troops to Hianfu.

London, 8th February, 8.20 p.m.

It is reported that the Powers are preparing a Note to China, demanding the publication of an Imperial Decree condemning Prince Tuan and Lan to death, but that they will not oppose a commutation of the sentence by the Emperor.

GENERAL NEWS.

London, 8th February, 8.20 p.m.

THE KING TO VISIT GERMANY.

King Edward intends to pay a visit to Germany before long.

ILLNESS OF KAISER'S MOTHER.

The Empress Frederick is very ill.

THE BRITISH CABLE.

Lord Minto, at the opening of the Canadian Parliament, urged that there should be no delay in the British and Canadian cable to Australia and the Far East.

—AND THE PACIFIC CABLE.

The United States Congress in its extra session is expected to give precedence to the Pacific Cable Bill.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

London, 7th February.

REINFORCEMENTS FOR BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA.

It is officially stated that the Government has decided to send Lord Kitchener a reinforcement of 30,000 mounted men. It is expected that 10,000 Yeomanry will soon be available, the South African Constabulary will contribute 8,000, the Colonies 5,000, and the remainder will be supplied from the home establishment.

Lord Kitchener wires from Pretoria that De Wet is still to the North of Tloaba N'Chu. General French is driving the enemy back to Amsterdam.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The King and Queen take up their residence in Marlborough House to-day.

London, 8th February.

THE DUKE OF YORK'S VISIT TO AUSTRALIA.

The *Times* states it is definitely decided that the Duke of York will start for Australia at the end of March.

THE SOUTH AFRICAN WAR.

Small bodies of Boers continue to enter Cape Colony at various points and 200 passed north of Middleburg moving west to join Hertzog at Calvinia. General De Lisle, with a strong column is approaching Calvinia.

Yesterday's casualties list shows 62 deaths from disease among the troops in South Africa.

THE MARRIAGE OF QUEEN WILHELMINA.

The marriage of Queen Wilhelmina was celebrated at the Hague amidst the utmost popular enthusiasm.

ITALY.

The Italian Ministry has resigned.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Canton, 8th February.

ARRIVAL OF THE NEW VICEROY.

The new Viceroy Tao Mu arrived yesterday afternoon at about 4 p.m. with nine attendants only accompanying him. Most other Viceroy and high officials would have brought over a hundred or more. He was received at the Government wharf by the Acting Viceroy Tsi Sow, the Tuxter General, the Hoppe, the Provincial Judge, and other officials, and conducted into the Kai-yat Teng Pavilion. After the ceremony of reception, interviewing, etc., was gone through, and tea had been offered H.E. took his departure, and went into his yamen, and the other officials also left for their yamens.

His Excellency is said to be 80 years of age, and of very economical habits; instead of the costly blackwood furniture which usually adorns an official building he has ordered it to be replaced by common wooden things. Being quite the opposite to all other Viceroy, he is said to be averse to receiving the presents which are as a rule sent by subordinates seeking favour.

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CLOTHES AND THE MAN.

The author of a new book entitled *Clothes and the Man* has much less to say about the man than the clothes. The male, among most animals, is the more handsomely clothed, which, perhaps, we may attribute to sexual selection. The grey hairs in spring select their mates, after an amusing competition in which the black cocks dance, chuckle, spread their plumage, and behave in a very ostentatious manner. The male is the dandy among races who attempt to win admiration rather by tattooing themselves and sticking small ethnological museums about their persons, than by anything that can be called apparel. Among such peoples the woman do all the work, except the hunting, fishing, and fighting, consequently they cannot indulge in the pleasures of dress. But in the march of progress, man begins to do most of the work and consequently he simplifies his attire, and makes it less decorative, while woman, no longer the potter, gardener, least of burden, and agricultural labourer, has more time and more means to spend on adorning herself. As a rule now a man's clothes have neither colour nor form, nor fantasy, and by way of jewels, we are informed that if in mourning, and anxious really to display sincere affliction, we must wear sleeve-links of gunmetal. The author of *Clothes and the Man* thinks that not every one can wear coloured sleeve-links. It had not occurred, perhaps, to many a reflective mind that coloured sleeve-links exist, or that anybody would ever notice the sleeve-links of any one else, coloured or not. Some license is allowed to breast-pins, but even these to many appear to be superfluous and vexatious. Yet even in Thackeray's time men wore enormous garnet pins, or a little pin attached to a bigger pin by a small gold chain. Now consider the pleasures of our ancestors. A gold and enamel chain was worn round a velvet bonnet which had a gold medal on it, or a Gothic letter in gold. A gold, diamond, and enamel chain was worn round the manly neck. With a charming cinque cento jewel about as big as a crown piece, rings were something like rings, being anciently given set in enamel, or tiny jewelled caskets of secret poisons, or something else, such as we now only see in museums. As to dress, men had embroideries of gold and silver. The Regent Murray was a serious man, but in September, 1866, he sent a quantity of red silk with a gold thread to his tailor to be made up. Also three ell of cloth of silver to make a suit of clothes. Argyle and Huntly were equally arrayed like lilies of the field, and if the MacCailean Mhor had his cloth of silver made into his "coquetish national costume" (as the French describe the kilt), he must have been a magnificent spectacle. Bothwell preferred a white silk with silver thread; his evening dress, on the night when he blew up Darnley, was in excellent taste, black and silver. Darnley's dressing-gown (as his bereaved father carefully noted) was of violet velvet, to match his violet velvet bed, and was lined with sable, while the author of *Clothes and the Man* computes as costing about £1,000, in a modern furled coat. Now consider the young dandies of the sixteenth century, with their assented locks, their great collars and ruffles of lace, their silks and satins. Then wig came in, costing £40 or £50 apiece, and flowing over fashionable shoulders clad in velvet, silk and satin, and gay with diamonds. Even a middle-aged man of letters, like Dr. Oliver Goldsmith, had a coat like a flower garden. The philosophical and portly David Hume, to please the ladies of France, wore a yellow silk coat, embroidered with black velvet butterflies. Fancy Mr. Herbert Spencer draped in such a garment! Rose-coloured silk, blazing with diamonds, suited for the simple taste of Prince Charlie. The Reign of Terror was hardly over before the *Lacraables* costumed themselves in undemocratic splendour. Only bourgeois, lawyers, and doctors wore anything so modest as bright brown cloth. Early portraits of Dickens and D'Orsay, long after Brummel's day, show how the young men ruffed it with flowing locks, flamboyant breast pins and chains, buttons, and other gauds. Waistcoats of brilliant hues were still the playground of Fancy. The desires of man, though suppressed, are not eradicated. They find an outlet in cricketer and in boating blazers and ribbons; and in such smoking suits of velvet, or silk, or brocade, as Ouida used to describe—things about which the author of *Clothes and the Man* has nothing to say. Beyond these few "sports" in the way of reinment, male clothing is destitute of aesthetic delight. Clothes ought, of course, to be neat and well made, and it is only literary characters who fill their pockets to a disgracefully bulging degree with the spoils of bookstalls. Our garb is sombre, monotonous, "subfusc," and as regards the legs, tubular. Our age is the only one which conceals the male leg in a cloth tube, save when knicker-bockers are worn, or in Court dress.

To each poor unvaried material and forms is our author reduced. He has much to say about frock coats which are flapping, heavy, ugly things, as comfortable as the skirt of Nessie. A few years ago they were suddenly made of vast dimensions, like the coat of Mr. Verdant Green. A country parson, who rarely and reluctantly wears a frock coat, finds that his own never wear out, but when he comes to town he discovers that he is terribly out of the fashion, a Rip Van Winkle. Citizens of a constitutional realm will hear with satisfaction that the Prince of Wales—now King Edward VII.—is not to blame. He "seldom or never is the first to introduce anything new in the style of clothes." Great George—last of Four Georges—was more audacious, and in the prime vigour of his faculties invented and imposed on the world a new shoe-buckle. There are now no shoe-buckles even; they used to be monuments of art. His Royal Highness has not even rebelled against our hats, which came in with the Reformation; Morton wore a huge black head-piece, sloping gently from the base. The Cavaliers introduced a reaction towards the picturesque, but Puritanism was too strong for them, and after an interval of cocked hats the chimney pot resumed its sway. Nothing but a real democracy in cloth caps will disestablish the odious tall hat, which hurts the brows, tarnishes in an hour, is ruined by a drop of rain, is blown off under the foot of horses and the wheels of cabs, and is altogether the worst head-gear yet invented by man. As to the care of clothes, our author is prolific in hints about trouser presses, and clips and other scientific appliances. Your trouser, like desolation, is "a delicate being," and no individual trouser ought to be worn more often than once a week. The other six days it passes in contemplative repose in the embrace of a "trouser-straightener." The theme of collars occupies many pages, but is not intelligible to an ordinary mind without diagrams. More ideas of comfort ought, we think, to be laid aside by the man with a scientific interest in collars. "The new Carlton clip is in the form of a triangle with the base resting on the shirt." Two Carlton clips may be used, similar and similarly situated, to which the studious add a tape 'loop at the back of the shirt. The sage Imale, after a lecture on Poetry, persuaded his princely pupil that no man can over-be a poet. We are equally ready to conclude that no man can ever be well dressed. The mechanism of clips is too complicated, and, as to the best kind, our author frankly admits that his knowledge of applied mechanics does not enable him to explain its working. We are left contemplating a mournful picture of an intellectual being "getting savage with his tie."

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discovers that he is terribly out of the fashion, a Rip Van Winkle. Citizens of a constitutional realm will hear with satisfaction that the Prince of Wales—now King Edward VII.—is not to blame. He "seldom or never is the first to introduce anything new in the style of clothes." Great George—last of Four Georges—was more audacious, and in the prime vigour of his faculties invented and imposed on the world a new shoe-buckle. There are now no shoe-buckles even; they used to be monuments of art. His Royal Highness has not even rebelled against our hats, which came in with the Reformation; Morton wore a huge black head-piece, sloping gently from the base. The Cavaliers introduced a reaction towards the picturesque, but Puritanism was too strong for them, and after an interval of cocked hats the chimney pot resumed its sway. Nothing but a real democracy in cloth caps will disestablish the odious tall hat, which hurts the brows, tarnishes in an hour, is ruined by a drop of rain, is blown off under the foot of horses and the wheels of cabs, and is altogether the worst head-gear yet invented by man. As to the care of clothes, our author is prolific in hints about trouser presses, and clips and other scientific appliances. Your trouser, like desolation, is "a delicate being," and no individual trouser ought to be worn more often than once a week. The other six days it passes in contemplative repose in the embrace of a "trouser-straightener." The theme of collars occupies many pages, but is not intelligible to an ordinary mind without diagrams. More ideas of comfort ought, we think, to be laid aside by the man with a scientific interest in collars. "The new Carlton clip is in the form of a triangle with the base resting on the shirt." Two Carlton clips may be used, similar and similarly situated, to which the studious add a tape 'loop at the back of the shirt. The sage Imale, after a lecture on Poetry, persuaded his princely pupil that no man can over-be a poet. We are equally ready to conclude that no man can ever be well dressed. The mechanism of clips is too complicated, and, as to the best kind, our author frankly admits that his knowledge of applied mechanics does not enable him to explain its working. We are left contemplating a mournful picture of an intellectual being "getting savage with his tie."

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Hongkong, 26th January, 1901. [339]

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Hongkong, 2nd February, 1901. [40]

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BY a YOUNG MAN, EVENING WORK,
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Revising of Accounts, Typewriting or General
Office work. Hours—5.30 to 8 o'clock.
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M. A. O.,
Care of Office of this Paper.
Hongkong, 6th February, 1901. [425]

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Applicants must be competent Surveyors and
levelers; and preference will be given to those
who have had experience in Tunnel Work.
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25th February, should state age, qualifications
and previous experience; be accompanied by
copies of not more than four testimonials, and
addressed to the undersigned, from whom or
from Mr. S. TOMLINSON, Memb. Inst. C.E.,
Municipal Engineer, Singapore, further
particulars may be obtained.
By Order,
J. POLGLASE,
Municipal Secretary.
Esplanade, Singapore, 22nd January, 1901.
[405]

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Hongkong, 3rd May, 1895. [2787]

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Hongkong, 1st June, 1899. [3021]

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Hongkong, 31st January, 1901.

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J. B. WHITE & BROS
SOLE AGENTS FOR CHINA,
HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.
Hongkong, 16th September, 1899. [3144]

NOTICES OF FIRMS

NOTICE.
MR. J. GONZALEZ is AUTHORISED
to Sten for my Firm during my Tem-
porary Absence from the Colony.
J. M. de ZUNIGA.
Hongkong, 8th February, 1901. [486]

NOTICE.
WE have This Day Appointed Messrs.
WATTS, EDWARDS & CO., of
Hongkong, our Sole Agents for that City,
South China, and Manila.
O'NEILL, WARNEFORD & CO.
London, 19th January, 1901. [278]

NOTICE.
WE have This Day ESTABLISHED
ourselves as Sole Agents in Hong-
kong, South China, and Manila for Messrs.
O'NEILL, WARNEFORD & CO., Manu-
facturers and Merchants of London, Manchester,
Birmingham and Hamburg.
WATTS, EDWARDS & CO.
Hongkong, 21st January, 1901. [279]

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TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSUR-
ANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG
The Undersigned, having been appointed
AGENTS for the above Company, are pre-
pared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at
Current Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 16th November, 1892. [29]

AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE IN-
SURANCE CO.
OF AIX-LA-CHAPELLE.

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REUTER, BRÜCKELMANN & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. [14]

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FOR
1901.

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Hongkong, 18th May, 1900. 1512

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ANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

The Undersigned AGENTS of the above
Company are PREPARED to ACCEPT First
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SIEMSEN & CO.
Hongkong, 29th May, 1895. [31]

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(Established 1828).

THE Undersigned, having been appointed
GENERAL AGENT for the above
Company, is prepared to ACCEPT RISKS
at current rates.
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Head Office.

A. R. MARTY,
Agent.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1900. 1794

THE
EQUITABLE

LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY

OF THE
UNITED STATES.

FINAL FIGURES FOR
1900.

THE HONGKONG OFFICE has now
received a further telegram giving the
revised figures for the past year, which show
AN INCREASE, both in ASSETS and Sur-
plus, upon the PRELIMINARY

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.
OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	CAPTAINS	TO SAIL
LONDON	"ALCINOUS"	Pulford	On 19th Feb.
LONDON	"IXION"	Robinson	On 5th Mar.
LONDON	"DEUCALION"		On 19th Mar.
LIVERPOOL (Packing Cargo at London Rates)	"GLAUCUS"		On 16th Feb.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

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Hongkong, 9th February, 1901.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO.,
LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
NAGASAKI & MOJI	KWEIYANG	On 11th Feb., at Noon.
MANILA	CHANGSHA	On 15th Feb., at 4 P.M.
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	CHANGSHA	On 15th Feb., at 4 P.M.

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Hongkong, 9th February, 1901.

U.S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.	THURSDAY, Feb. 14, 1901, at NOON.
CITY OF PEKING (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	
CHINA (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	TUESDAY, Mar. 12, 1901, at NOON.
CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	SATURDAY, Apr. 6, 1901, at NOON.

THE Company's Steamship "CITY OF PEKING" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on THURSDAY, the 14th February, 1901, at NOON.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of \$4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have the choice of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN,

Agent.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1901.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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THE Company's Steamship

"MARIA TERESA" will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 14th inst., at P.M.

For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

SANDER, WIELER & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1901.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.
TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TO SAN FRANCISCO VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.	SATURDAY, Mar. 2, 1901, at DAYLIGHT.
HONGKONG MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	
NISSON MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	THURSDAY, Mar. 29, 1901, at NOON.
AMERICA MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	TUESDAY, April 23, 1901, at NOON.

THE Twin-Screw Steamship

"HONGKONG MARU" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU on SATURDAY, the 2nd March, 1901, at DAYLIGHT, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of \$4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

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Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

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J. S. VAN BUREN,

Agent.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1901.

OREGON AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILING FROM HONGKONG TO PORTLAND (OR.) AND SAN FRANCISCO.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

TAKING CARGO TO JAPAN PORTS, THE UNITED STATES, AND CANADA.

THE Steamship

"EVA," 2,088 tons, Capt. Petersen, will be despatched on or about the 10th March, for PORTLAND (OR.) VIA MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to any point in the United States and Canada.

Cargo will be received on board until 5 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be accepted at the Office of the Underwriter until the same time. All Parcels should be marked to address in full.

Value of same is required.

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For further information as to Freight rates, &c., apply to

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Agents.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1901.

CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE ATCHAFON, TOPEKA AND SANTA FE RAILROAD CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG TO SAN DIEGO AND SAN FRANCISCO.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN PORTS AND HONOLULU.

THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, &c.

S.S. "STRATHGYLE" ... On or about 20th March.

THE Steamship "STRATHGYLE" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO VIA MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA on or about 20th March.

Through Bills of Lading issued to any point in the United States.

Cargo will be received on board until 5 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be accepted at the Office until the same time. All parcels should be marked to address in full. Value of same is required.

Consular Invoices, to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN,

Agent.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1901.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS-POSTES FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"TONKIN," Captain Vaquier, will be despatched for the above ports on or about WEDNESDAY, the 13th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1901.

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"ESMERALDA," Captain G. T. Blackland, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 14th inst., at 5 P.M.

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Hongkong, 9th February, 1901.

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FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND TAIWANFOO.

THE Company's Steamship

"ANPING MARU," Captain S. Atsumi, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 20th February, at DAYLIGHT.

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Hongkong, 6th February, 1901.

UNITED STATES AND CHINA-JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINE.

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Hongkong, 22nd January, 1901.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL.

THE Company's Steamship

"TEENKAI,"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

Goods applied for by the 14th inst., at 10 A.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Co. within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no claims will be recognised.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 2 P.M. TO-DAY.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1901.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"PATROCLOS" are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft and/or landed at the Godowns of the Kowloon Godown Co.; in both cases it will be at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 11th inst.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

Goods undelivered after the 15th instant will be subject to rent. All damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M. on the 18th inst.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1901.

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Hongkong, 15th September, 1899.

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NAVY BOILED LONG FLAX RELIANCE CROWN TARPAILING

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & CO., Sole Agents.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1901.

TO LET.

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Hongkong, 20th December, 1900.

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Apply to—

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Hongkong, 1st December, 1900.

TO LET.

"WESTLEY" with TENNIS COURT and GARDEN.—Possession on 1st May.

RICHMOND TERRACE—Nos. 2 & 5. Possession on 1st April; No. 6, Immediate Possession.

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Hongkong, 8th December, 1900.

TO LET—FURNISHED.

"BUDLEIGH," MACDONNELL ROAD.

Apply to—

M. S. NORTHCOTE.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1901.

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A LARGE FURNISHED ROOM, with Board; Private Family; Kowloon. Reference requested.

Care of Kowloon Post Office.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1901.

TO LET.

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Apply to—

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Hongkong, 2nd February, 1901.

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A SPACIOUS ROOM, suitable for an OFFICE, on N.E. corner of THIRD FLOOR, PRINCE'S BUILDINGS.

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